

Speech/Language Impairment (SLI)
Determination of Eligibility

Name of Student

Date of Eligibility Decision

Name of Public Education Agency

The determination of eligibility for special education is based on an evaluation pursuant §A.R.S. 15-761(34) and the following requirements:

Preschool: The child is at least three years of age and has not reached the age for kindergarten and demonstrates performance on a norm-referenced language test that measures at least one and one-half standard deviations below the mean for children of the same age and/or the child's speech, out of context, is unintelligible to a listener who is unfamiliar with the child. Eligibility is only appropriate when a comprehensive developmental assessment **and** parental input have indicated the child is not eligible for services under another preschool category or under the developmental delay category. If there was a discrepancy between the measures, the evaluation team determined eligibility based on the preponderance of information presented.

School-Age: The child has reached the required age for kindergarten and demonstrates a communication disorder such as stuttering, impaired articulation, a language impairment, or a voice impairment that adversely affects the child's educational performance. The student has been evaluated in all areas related to the suspected disability.

Team decision regarding the presence of a disability:

- ☐ The child **does** meet the criteria as a preschool or school-age child with a speech/language impairment.

Team decision regarding the need for special education services:

- ☐ The child **does not** need special education services.
- ☐ The child **does** need special education services.

Note: A student shall not be determined to be a child with a disability if the determinant factor is lack of appropriate instruction in reading (including the essential components of reading instruction), lack of appropriate instruction in math, or limited English proficiency.

- ☐ Parent has been provided with a written notice (PWN) regarding this decision that meets the requirement under the IDEA.